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Art in Public Places Commission

November 25, 2014

The Art in Public Places Commission (AIPPC) of the City of Annapolis held its regularly scheduled meeting on November 25, 2014 at the Pip Moyer Recreation Center located 273 Hilltop Lane. **Chair** Moyer called the meeting to order at 6:47pm.

Commissioners Present: Chair Moyer, Palumbo, Matthews, Arthur, Averill

Commissioners Absent: Vice Chair Koscianski, Towle-Krewson, Peterson

Staff Present: Walters, Whittlinger

B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

October 28, 2014 Meeting Minutes

Ms. Matthews moved approval of the minutes as written. Mr. Arthur seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously in a vote of 5-0.

C. OLD BUSINESS

1. <u>December 7, 2014 Reception, Publication, Food, Sponsors</u>

Reception

Chair Moyer announced that the reception is scheduled for December 7, 2014 and are planning for 40 people. There will be press coverage from What's Up Magazine.

Publication

Chair Moyer noted that a significant amount of time has been designated to preparing the publication specifically that Ms. Palumbo had read through it for editing and Ms. Peterson has taken photographs as well as collected photos from the various websites. Ms. Peterson has also agreed to design the cover of the 32-page publication. The *Art in Annapolis Publication* will be available at the December 7, 2014 reception. The printing of the publication was less than anticipated in that it costs \$1,200 for 500 copies.

Food/Sponsors

Ms. Whittlinger discussed paying the invoices for the food and the music. She explained that Mr. Martin will be providing the printing and needs to submit an invoice.

2. AIPPC Website

Chair Moyer reported that Ms. Peterson met with Inna Young on the website and was shown how maintain, edit and layout the AIPPC's webpage. Ms. Peterson is in the process of collecting content in the form of text and photos to organize for incorporation onto the webpage. The AIPPC will be asked to review the content prior to posting. **Chair** Moyer explained that Ms. Wampler will be preparing the walking trail maps for inclusion on the AIPPC webpage.

3. Infinity Theater Proposal

Chair Moyer received a proposal from Infinity Theater for a Broadway production in the dock area as part of the Thursday night series. There were two different associated costs, \$7,000 and \$21,000 depending on things needed. Some of the ideas were to get a tent and hold the event on the Harbor Queen with ticket sales as a fundraiser so that funds could be used for the Thursday Night with Stars event. Mr. Averill suggested a subcommittee to explore fundraising options and agreed to check into collaboration efforts as well as with Ms. Gosselin regarding the rental cost of the Harbor Queen. **Chair** Moyer also discussed the possibility of a local theater award program as a method of promoting art in the City.

4. Thursday Night with Stars

Chair Moyer reported that all Thursday Night with the Stars sessions have been booked for July and August 2015 however the performers have not been identified. She has been working with Arlene Berlin on fundraising efforts. She does not believe the musicians and sound system will be free this year. She explained that if there are eight performers then there needs to be sponsors to cover the costs at least \$1,000 a night. Mr. Averill asked if there were any positive impacts from these performers on the businesses and if so perhaps some of the business may sponsor.

5. USNA Wall Art

Chair Moyer updated the AIPPC on the USNA Wall art noting that the information needed for them to include it in their magazine was not relayed to the Alumni so it was not included.

6. Press Articles, What's Up Magazine, The Capital, Outlook Magazine

Chair Moyer reported that What's Up Magazine will be doing an article on the AIPPC.

7. Request for File Space

Chair Moyer reported that Mr. Agee agreed to provide the AIPPC with a file cabinet.

8. Four Signers Portraits Update

Chair Moyer reported that the MOU was provided to Mr. Sam Brice and the signing is in the hands of the Public Works Director. Once signed, then the portraits of the four signers will be installed in the Brice House.

9. ACF Account Fundraising

Chair Moyer asked for the balance of the monies in the AIPPC account. Mr. Walters reported approximately \$11,034.14 and last year's ending balance was \$29,658.00 with \$18,395.99 encumbered. Mr. Walters was asked the \$18,395.99 encumbered and whether this fiscal year funding of \$10,000 was placed in the budget. Chair Moyer also asked if Mr. Walters would check into whether the \$150.00 from the Army Band was received and placed in the budget.

10. Small Parks Update

Chair Moyer noted that there are still no proposals for the small parks but the Goldberg sculpture if accepted could be placed in the Brooks and Amos Garret parks.

11. Musician Summer Program Fundraiser

Mr. Arthur will check with Mr. Hyatt and other businessmen regarding fundraising efforts for the musician summer program.

12. Fundraising – Next Steps

Chair Moyer asked if anyone have had any conversations with their Aldermen. Mr. Averill asked about the status of maintenance for the historic signs and Chair Moyer said that this does not fall under the AIPPC jurisdiction but falls under the Annapolis Heritage Commission. Mr. Averill agreed to contact Ms. Craig to discuss the maintenance of these signs.

D. NEW BUSINESS

1. Community Forums on Community Art

Chair Moyer discussed the importance of art on communities and asked for a volunteer member to research what could be done to engage the public in community art.

2. City Hall Art

Chair Moyer reported that the Mayor has agreed to do the City Hall exhibits. There has been a lot of time spent with Mr. Jarrell coordinating space to exhibit the artwork. The City is reaching out artists who may be to exhibit their artwork at City Hall.

3. Bus Stop Potential Art

Chair Moyer reported that Mr. Arthur agreed to pursue fundraising efforts with local businesses.

4. Gift of Art

Chair Moyer reminded the AIPPC that Mr. Goldberg is willing to donate a sculpture by a Philadelphia artist as a gift and some artwork from his Aunt. She asked Mr. Arthur to explore how the Kick Starter auction program works and to research the requirements of the Great Give program.

5. Bus Shelter

Chair Moyer noted that Mr. Andrews, City Manager, suggested that perhaps one of the advertising sponsors would support art from a community group. She agreed to keep the AIPPC informed.

6. Hotel Tax

Chair Moyer noted that the Mayor may not support an amendment to the State language regarding the hotel tax so has also asked for a line item through the Annapolis Community Foundation as a nonprofit organization. Ms. Whittlinger asked if the AIPPC participated in the Great Give and Chair Moyer responded that the process for participating in this program is not clear. Mr. Arthur will check into the Kick Starter program for raising funds. Mr. Arthur agreed to explore the Great Give program to determine if it not too late to submit an application. Members were encouraged to discuss their concerns regarding the 3% going to the County with their Alderperson.

E. COMMUNICATIONS

There was none.

F. ADJOURNMENT

The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, December 16, 2014 at 6:30 at the Pip Moyer Recreation Center.

Ms. Towle-Krewson moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:10pm. Ms. Matthews seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously in a vote of 5-0.

Tami Hook, Recorder